

FINAL BILL REPORT

ESSB 6497

FULL VETO

As Passed Legislature

Brief Description: Taking private property.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Government Operations (originally sponsored by Senators McCaslin, T. Sheldon, Anderson and Oke).

Senate Committee on Government Operations

House Committee on Government Reform & Land Use

House Committee on Appropriations

Background: The Supreme Courts of the United States and Washington have established standards for determining unconstitutional takings of private property. Under the Growth Management Act, the state Attorney General must provide state agencies and local governments with a process for assuring that their regulatory or administrative actions do not result in unconstitutional takings.

Summary: For any regulatory action concerning private real property which requires a public hearing, government must address the Attorney General's guidelines in the hearing and prepare written findings and conclusions about unconstitutional takings.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	32	17
House	64	31 (House amended)
Senate	29	14 (Senate concurred)